Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1, 2 and 4-10 were pending in the application. With this Amendment, claim 10 has been canceled. Claims 1, 2 and 4-9 are therefore pending in the application.

In the Office Action dated January 22, 2010, the Office objected to claim 10 as failing to further limit independent claim 1. Claim 10 has been canceled; therefore, this objection is rendered moot.

As indicated on page 3 of the Office Action, claims 1, 2 and 4-9 are allowed.

Accordingly, in view of the foregoing amendment, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending application is in condition for allowance. Notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

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